

Data Source Documentation

Indicator	Asthma hospitalizations
Demographic Group	Wisconsin population
Numerator	Number of Wisconsin asthma hospitalizations (one person may account for multiple admissions).
Denominator	Total Wisconsin population
Age Adjustment	Age-adjusted rates are used to compare relative risks among groups and over time; they represent relative indexes and are not actual measures of risk. Age-adjusted rates shown in the data tables were computed by applying age-specific rates in the population of interest to the 2000 U.S. standard population (i.e., the age distribution of the 2000 projected U.S. population).
Details about Data Item	<p>Asthma hospitalizations were selected by two criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Principal diagnosis with the ICD-9 CM code 493. 2. Any diagnosis (principal or up to 8 other diagnoses) with the ICD-9 CM code 493. <p>Race and Hispanic ethnicity are tabulated separately.</p>
Reference Time Period	Calendar year discharges
Data Source	Inpatient Hospitalization Discharge File, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services; prepared from data collected by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy through September 30, 2003 and thereafter by the Wisconsin Hospital Association Information Center, Inc.